



Caballeros and castanets were the theme as the Kiwanis Club of Aruba conducts another successful fundraiser.

This Saturday night was place to be was the Palm Beach Ballroom of the Wyndham Aruba Resort, Casino & Spa where the Kiwanis Club of Aruba held their annual fundraising ball. This year's theme was "An Evening in Spain" and ladies in Spanish themed garb and men in matador hats dined and danced the night away to the music of island favorite Robert Jeandor and his band.

This greatly anticipated event sold over 400 tickets and Prakash Gupta, President of the Kiwanis reports that they expect to clear \$50,000 (U.S.), which will be used throughout the year to support worthwhile projects. "Serving the Children of the World" is the Kiwanis motto and in Aruba, their most recent was to provide school uniforms and shoes for needy children whose families could not afford.

Greeting guests at the door was Niti Gupta, very much the Castilian Grand Dame, where she and her committee of volunteers distributed Spanish shawls for the ladies and caballero hats to the gentlemen as party favors.

The famous wine and cheese party featured a fabulous selection of cheeses at each table from around the world, and Aruba's top wine distributors each had tables set up where party goers could sample wines of varied vintage till their heart's content. The Wyndham culinary department provided a "build your own Paella" stand where a plate of saffron rice could be heaped with a choice of chicken, chorizo and shrimp. With fantastic food, wine, music and entertainment, jovial company, and an elegant theme, it is not surprise that so many felt it was a night not to be missed!